

Welcome to the Sixth

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Recognizing Excellence
in Regional Cooperation

2004

Maricopa Association of Governments



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TO THE 2004 DESERT PEAKS AWARDS

Dennis Smith
**Executive
Director,
Maricopa
Association of
Governments**





Introductions

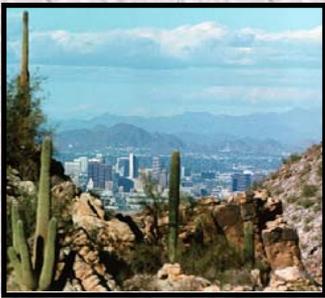
■ Master of Ceremonies

- Wendy Feldman-Kerr
 - Mayor, Town of Queen Creek
 - Chair, MAG Regional Council



■ Introduction of Special Guests

- MAG Regional Council
- State Legislators
- City Council and Tribal Council Members and other Elected Officials
- City Managers



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2004 Desert Peaks Judges



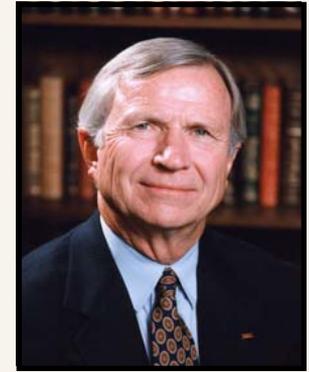
Tom Ambrose
*Senior Vice President
Public Affairs, Phoenix
Suns*



**Anna Maria
Chavez**
*Director of
Government Affairs,
Governor's Office*



**Dr. Larry
Christiansen**
*President, Mesa
Community College*



Dr. Lattie Coor
*Chairman and CEO,
Center for the Future
of Arizona*



James Creedon
*Retired Brigadier
General, Landry,
Creedon & Associates*



Sandra Hicks
*Former Executive
Director, Challenger
Space Center*



Joel Nilsson
*Editorial Board
Member, The Arizona
Republic*

AWARDS PRESENTATION

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Chair, MAG
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Mayor, Town of
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- **Public Partnership**
- **Public-Private Partnership**
- **Professional Service**
- **Regional Partnership**
- **Regional Excellence**
- **Summit Award**





**Mary
Manross**
Mayor, City of
Scottsdale



Public Partnership

- **The Public Partnership Award recognizes the group or project that has demonstrated a commitment to regionalism through public sector or public/non-profit partnership.**
- **And the award goes to...**

City of Glendale Chemical Weapon Full-Scale Exercise



Chandler - Arizona



GLENDAL



Goodyear



City of
Phoenix



Public Partnership Recipient



Public-Private Partnership



John Keegan
Mayor, City of
Peoria



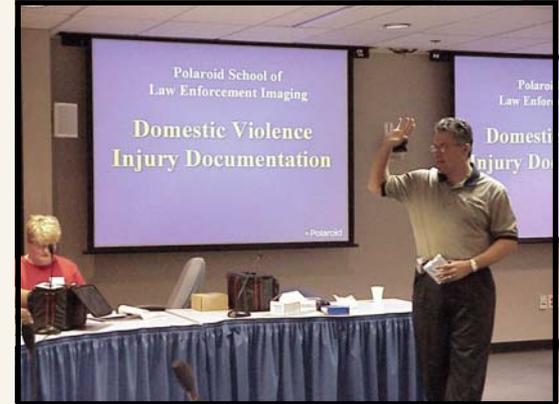
- **The Public-Private Partnership Award recognizes the group or project that has demonstrated a commitment to regionalism through a public-private partnership.**
- **And the awards goes to...**





Employers Against Domestic Violence (EADV)

Over 100 members including:



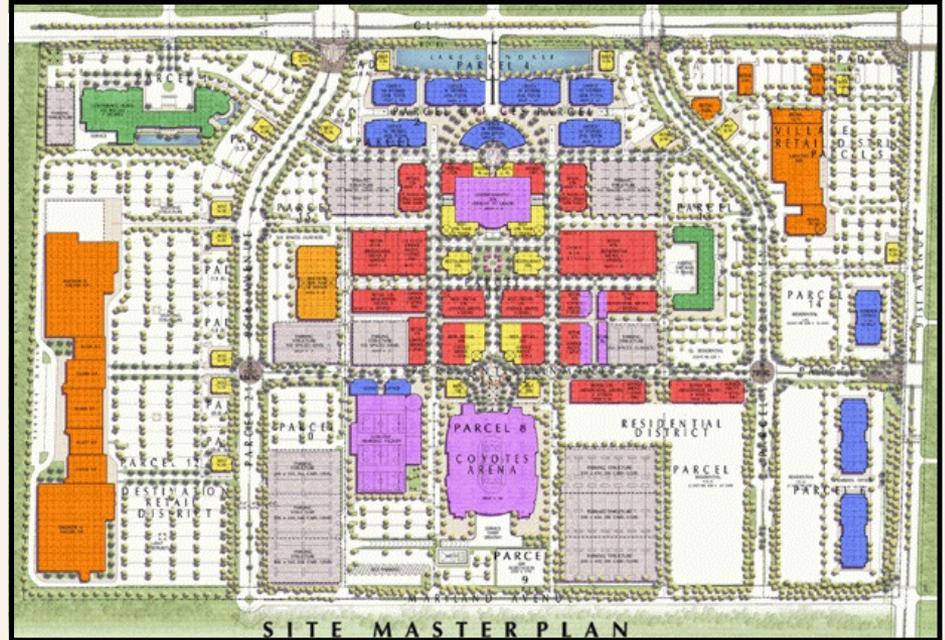
Public-Private Partnership Recipient



City of Glendale/Phoenix Coyotes/Ellman Development Project



Ellman
Companies



Public-Private Partnership Recipient



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Professional Service



Joan Shafer
Mayor, City of
Surprise

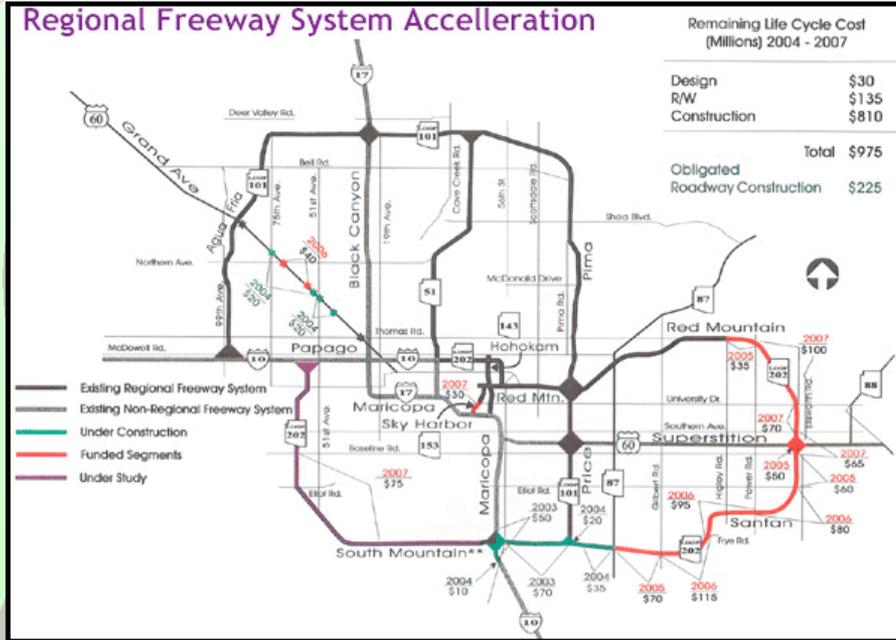


- **The Professional Service Award is for the individual who has significantly contributed to regionalism through sustained or outstanding professional efforts.**
- **And the award goes to...**



Jeff Martin

Assistant Development Services Manager,
City of Mesa



Professional Service Recipient





Woody Thomas
Mayor, Town of Litchfield Park



Regional Partnership

- **The Regional Partnership Award recognizes two or more MAG member agencies that have demonstrated a commitment to regionalism through cooperative efforts.**
- **And the award goes to...**

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Regional Excellence



Keno Hawker
Mayor, City of
Mesa



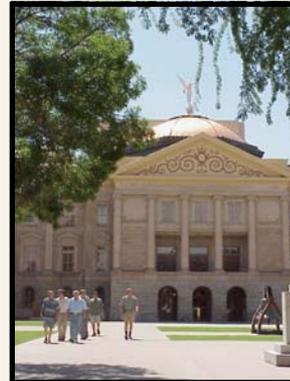
- **The Regional Excellence Award is presented to the single individual who has demonstrated significant leadership in regional issues.**
- **And the award goes to...**





The Honorable Gary Pierce

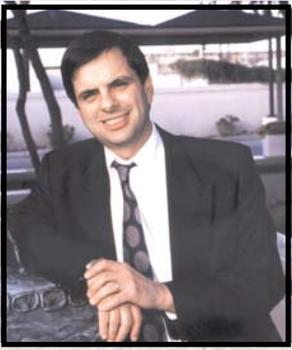
State Representative, Mesa - District 19



Regional Excellence Recipient



Summit Award



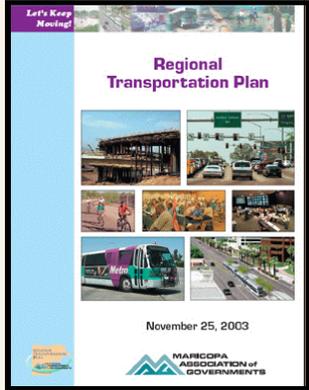
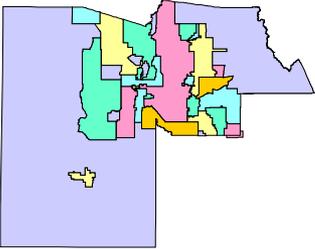
Phil Gordon
Mayor, City of
Phoenix



Gary Pierce
Arizona House of
Representatives

- **This year's awards include a special "Summit Award" to honor those involved in the development of a new Regional Transportation Plan, the most significant transportation planning effort the region has undertaken in 40 years.**

Regional Transportation Plan



Summit Award Recipient



Looking forward

Over the next 20 years of the proposed transportation plan, the percentage of people living in the three major parts of the Valley is projected to look like this:

East Valley: 35 percent
Phoenix: 40 percent
West Valley: 25 percent

Double deck urged for I-17 in Phoenix

Congestion on Black Canyon spurs plans

Freeways ease congestion, but more crops up



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Mayor Neil Giuliano
City of Tempe
Chairperson, Transportation Policy Committee

\$15.7 bil transit plan endorsed

Valley officials' OK clears way for possible vote

By Marty Sauerzopf
The Arizona Republic

A \$15.7 billion plan to improve freeways, streets and transit over the next 20 years won unanimous approval

Wednesday from Valley officials and business leaders.

The plan, bolstered by \$480 million in last-minute street and freeway improvements aimed at pleasing residents across the Valley, goes to

the Maricopa Association of Governments' Regional Council next week, where it is expected to be approved.

It will then move to the state Legislature to authorize a countywide election next May,

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View an animated graphic of Valley freeway expansion at traffic.azcentral.com.

plan.

The plan includes a new freeway from southwest Phoenix to Buckeye, funding for the South Mountain Freeway through the Ahwatukee area, a new parkway to Williams Gateway Airport and double-decked ex-

When voters will decide whether to extend a half-cent sales tax to help pay for the

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TRANSIT \$15.7 billion county plan backed

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Regional transportation plan

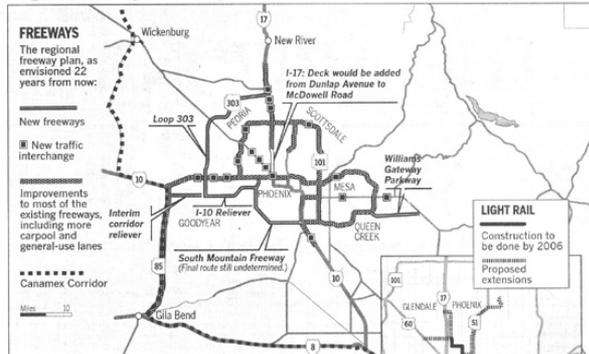
press lanes along a stretch of Interstate 17.

The plan includes \$2.3 billion for the light rail system, \$2.4 billion for regional buses and new general and carpool lanes on virtually every existing Valley freeway.

The new street projects added Wednesday include intersection improvements and additional lanes on a host of streets in Chandler, Gilbert, Mesa and Scottsdale. The West Valley, meanwhile, secured additional funding for Jomax Road in Surprise and money to purchase land for widening Arizona 85 in Buckeye and Arizona 74 near Lake Pleasant, and the extension of Loop 303 in Goodyear.

Wednesday's vote of MAG's Transportation Policy Committee belied the often-confrontational nature of the past few months, during which leaders from the East and West Valley debated the virtues of various freeway projects in hopes of securing more funding for their regions.

That discord threatened to



The Glendale Star

Glendale's Community Weekly

Monday, September 29, 2003

MAG members solidly behind 20-year transportation plan

EDITORIAL

Editorials represent the opinion of the newspaper, whose Editorial Board consists of: Phil Boas, Richard de Uriarte, Jennifer Dokes, Cindy Hernandez, Kathleen Ingley, Doug MacEachern, Joel Nilsson, Dan Nowicki, O. Ricardo Pimentel, Robert Robb, Paul Schatt, Linda Valdez, Ken Western and Steve Benson.



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HORIZON

KAET's Award-Winning Public Affairs Program

East side ... West side

Our stand: And all around the Valley, the transit proposal is a balanced beginning



Transportation Policy Committee Members



Neil Giuliano,
Chair
 Transportation
 Policy Committee



Chair Mayor Neil Giuliano and
 Vice Chair Mayor Elaine Scruggs



Benito Almanza



F. Rockne
 Arnett



Mayor Steven
 Berman



Dave Berry



Jed S. Billings



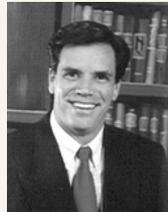
Councilmember
 Peggy Bilsten



Mayor James
 Cavanaugh



Councilmember
 Pat Dennis



Mayor Ron
 Drake



Mayor Boyd
 Dunn



Rusty Gant



Mayor Neil
 Giuliano



Mayor Keno
 Hawker



Eneas Kane



Mayor Mary
 Manross



Mayor Lon
 McDermott



Diane Scherer



Councilmember
 Daniel Schweiker



Mayor Elaine
 Scruggs



Martin Shultz



Supervisor Don
 Stapley



Mayor "Woody"
 Thomas

Regional Transportation Plan Summit Award Recipient



Regional Transportation Plan



Business Community Support Including:

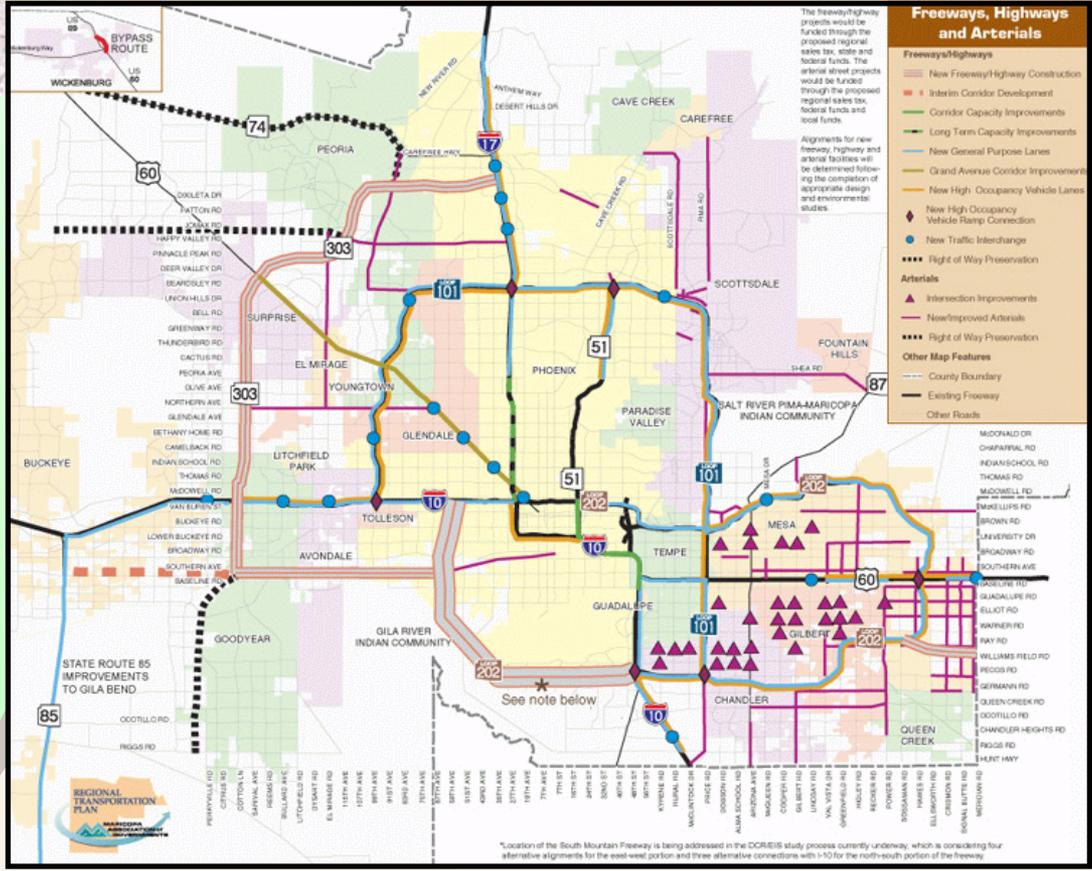
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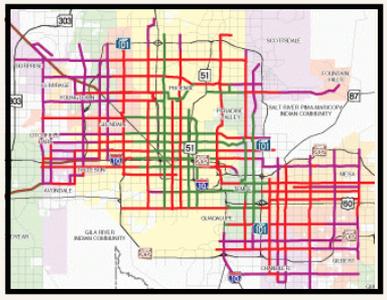
and many more.



Let's Keep Moving!

Regional Transportation Plan

November 25, 2003



Summit Award Recipient



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Passing of the Gavel



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Incoming
Chair, MAG
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Mayor, City of
Mesa



Thank you for attending

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